

HODDER DARGAUD PRESENTS



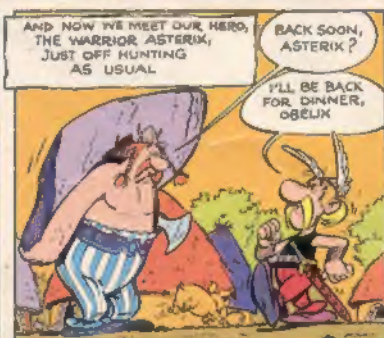
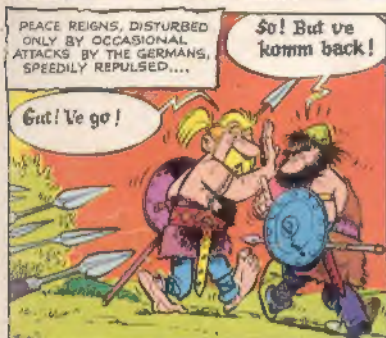
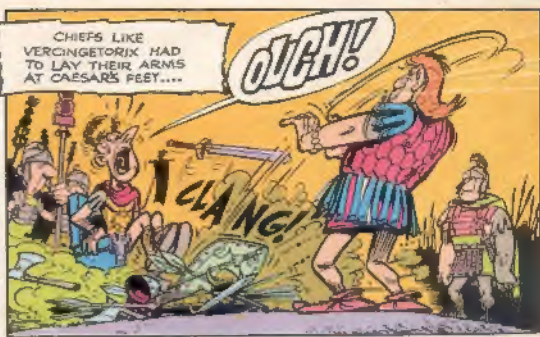
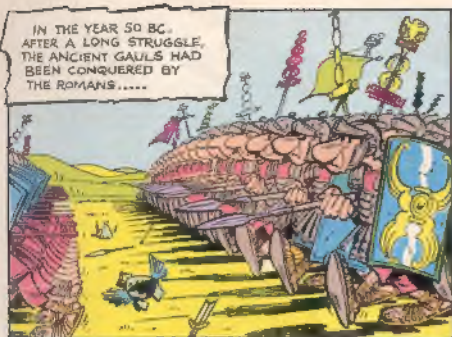
BOOK 1

TEXT: GOSCINNY  
DRAWINGS: UDERZO

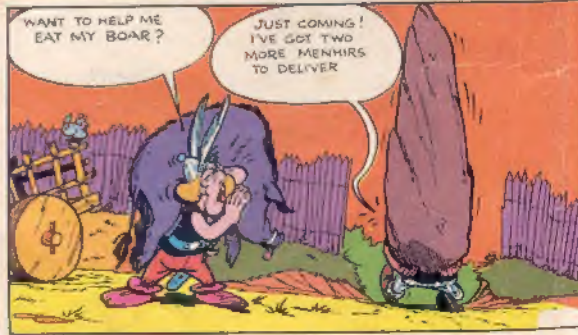
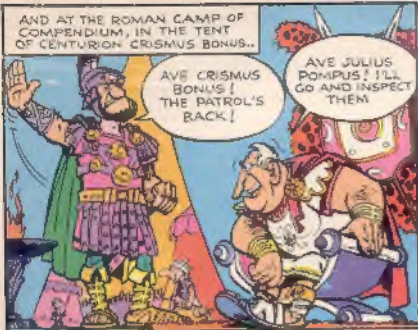
# Asterix

## The Gaul





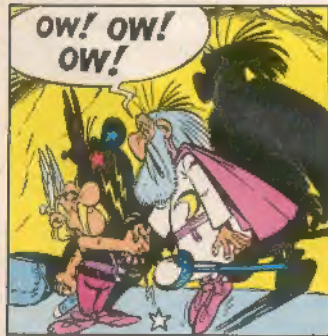
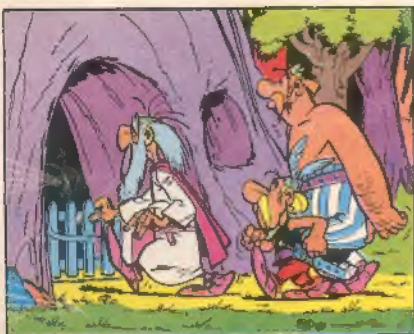
















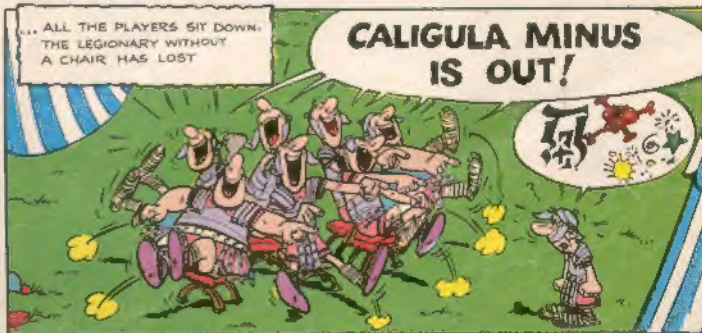
AS THERE ARE SO MANY VOLUNTEERS, WE'LL HAVE TO PLAY MUSICAL CHAIRS TO PICK THE SPY!



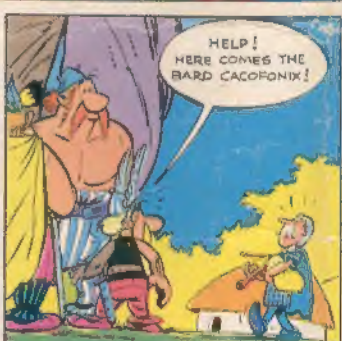
...WHEN THE MUSIC STOPS....



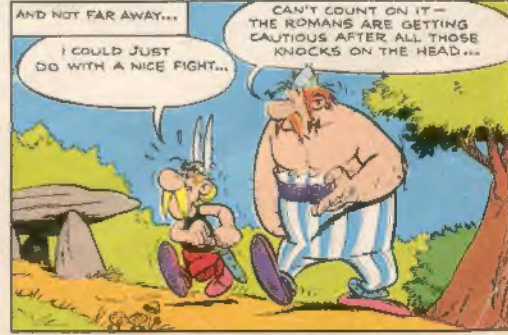
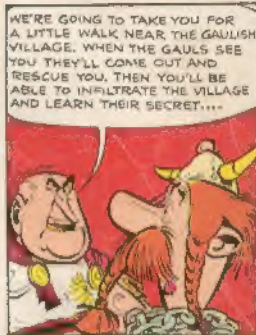
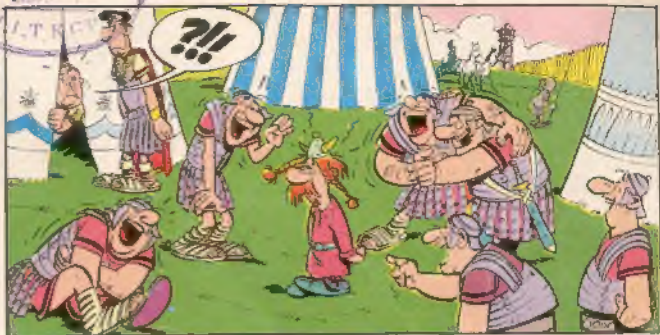
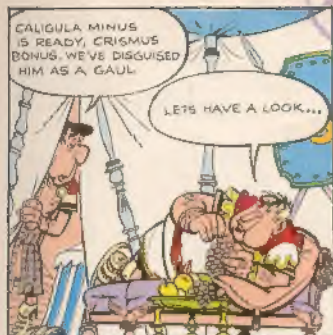
... ALL THE PLAYERS SIT DOWN. THE LEGIONARY WITHOUT A CHAIR HAS LOST



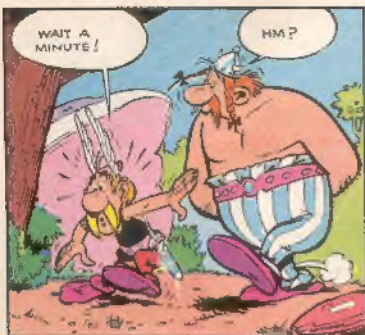




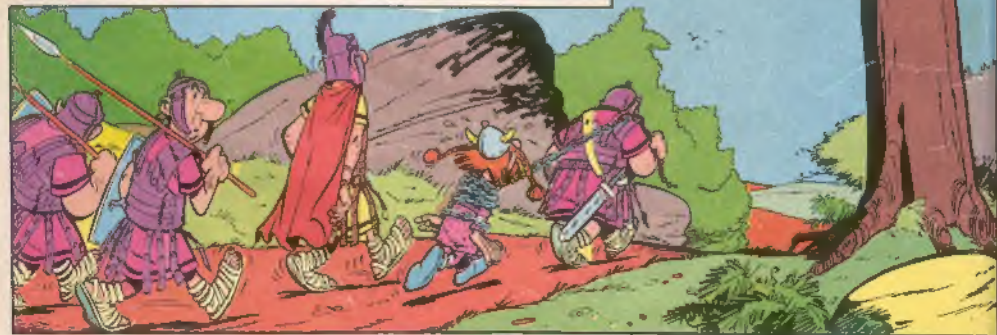




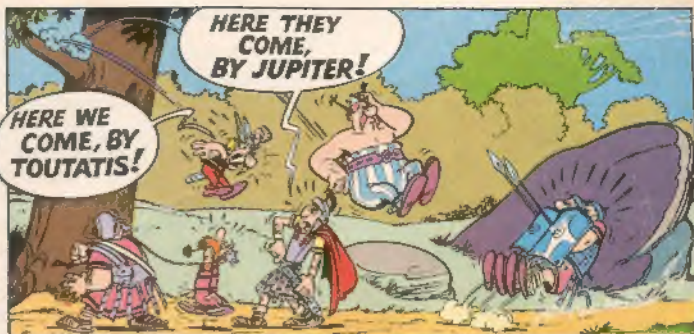




(!) SPAGHETTI WAS NOT IMPORTED FROM CHINA BY MARCO POLO UNTIL MUCH LATER

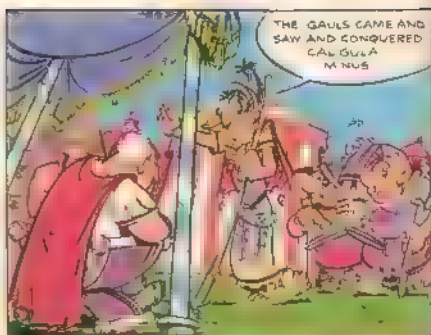








MARCUS GNANTONELS AND HIS  
HERCULES DETACHMENT RETURN TO  
CONDENSUM



LET'S HOPE  
CALGULA MINUS  
GETS BACK IN ONE  
PIECE OR ELSE  
WHAT HE'S SEEN



ALIA JACTA  
EST!

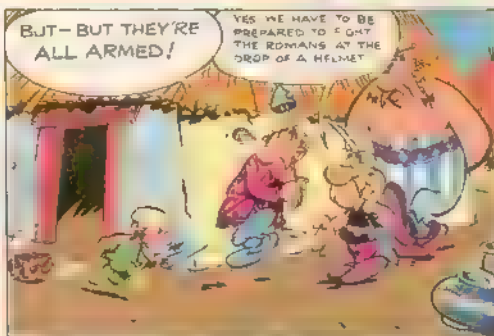
PARDON?



HA HA  
A GREAT  
COMFORT



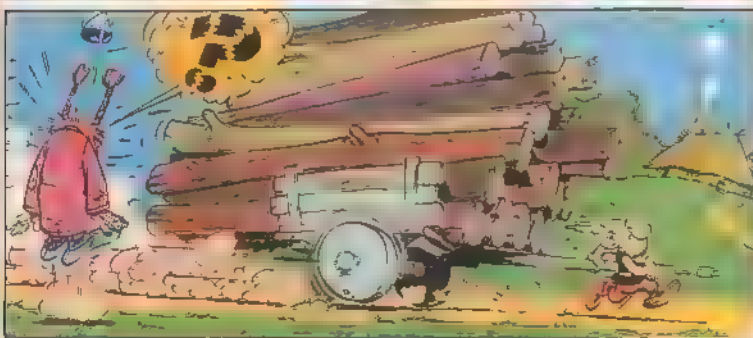
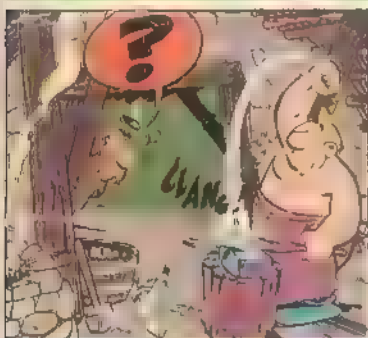
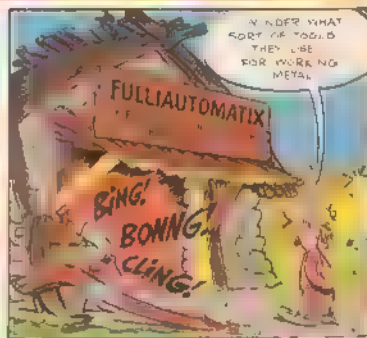
THEY'VE GOT  
SOMETHING  
WITH THEM!



YES WE HAVE TO BE  
PREPARED TO FIGHT  
THE ROMANS AT THE  
DROP OF A HELMET







DINNER'S READY,  
CALIGULIMINIX.  
IT'S WILD BOAR!

IS THERE SOME SECRET BEHIND  
YOUR SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH?

YEAH YIM!  
YES BUT WE CAN'T  
REVEAL  
SCRUNCH!

EAT UP YOUR BOAR  
IT'S GETTING COLD

WHY CAN'T YOU REVEAL  
YOUR SECRET?

BECAUSE  
IT'S A  
SECRET

THAT'S NOT FAIR!  
WHAT ARE THINGS COMING  
TO FINE CAUL CAN'T  
TRUST ANOTHER?

HE WAS AS STRONG  
AS YOU COULD GET THROUGH  
THE ROMAN LINES AND  
GO HOME  
TO LUTETIA

MY DREAM  
WAS THAT  
ON FRIDAY  
YOU'LL BE  
WORRIED  
TO DEATH

WHAT  
DO WE  
DO NOW?

WE COULD  
ALWAYS  
EAT HIS  
WILD BOAR?

CAME ON  
CALIGULIMINIX!  
WE'RE GOING TO  
SEE THE DRUID

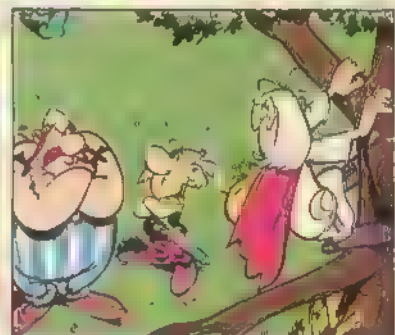
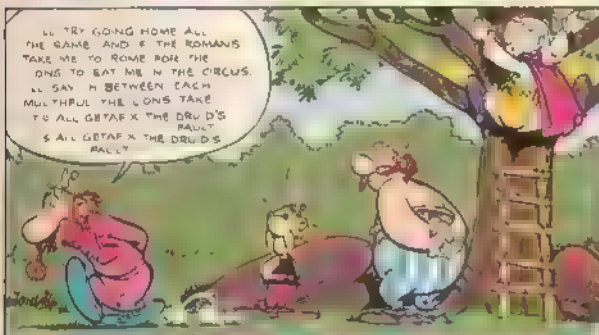
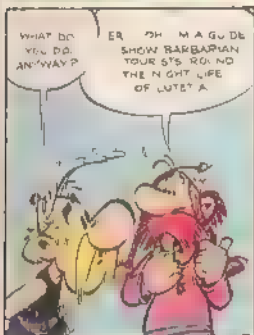
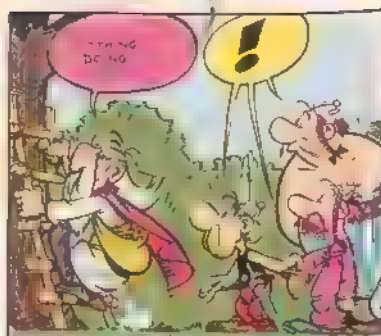
HEY, BE UP AN  
OAK TREE 'TIL THE  
SIXTH DAY OF THE NEW  
MOON AND MISTLETOE  
CUT THEN IS A  
POWERFUL ANY DOYE  
TO POISON

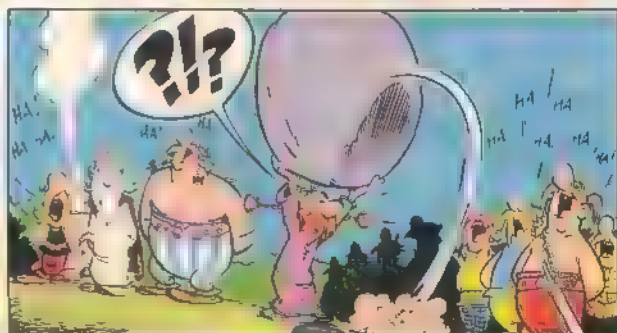
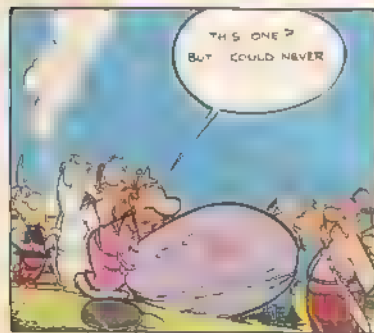
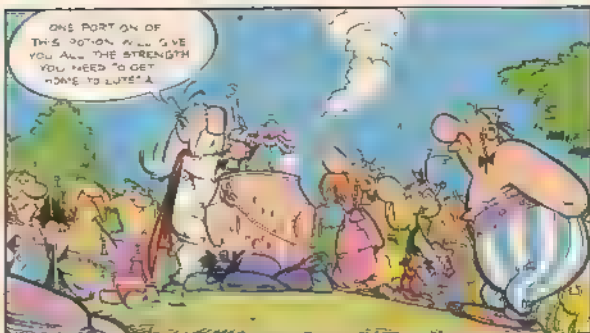
HI,  
DRUID!

OUCH!

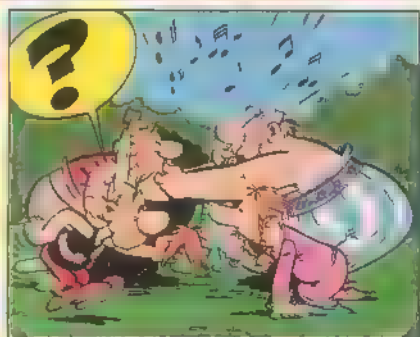
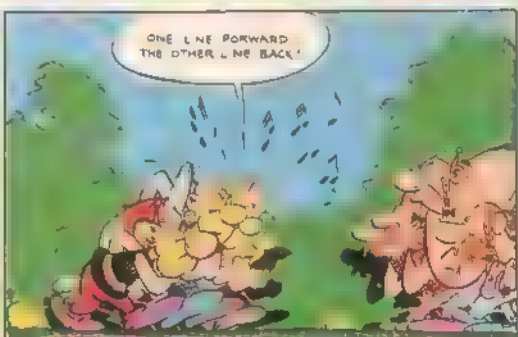
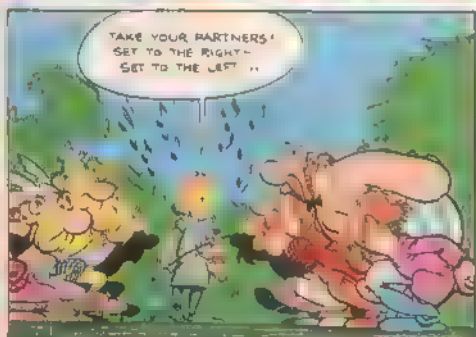
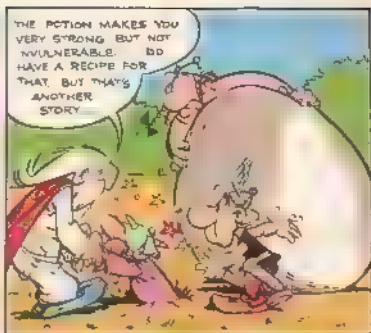
ASTERIX I TOLD  
YOU BEFORE NOT TO  
MAKE ME JUMP  
WHEN I WAS  
MY SICKLE!!!

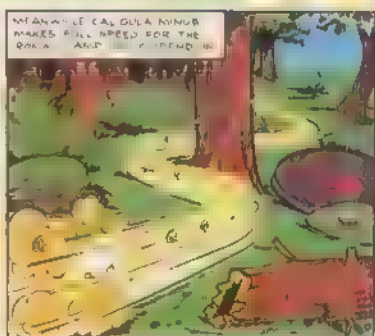
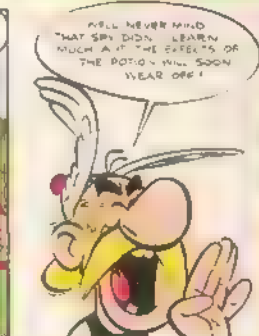
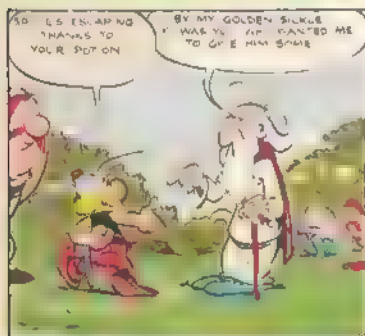
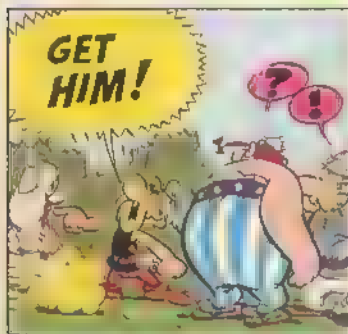
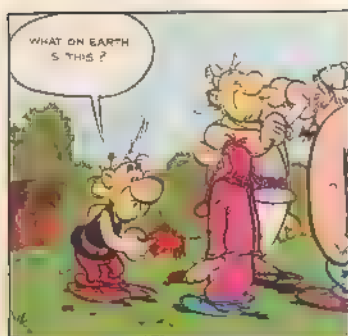




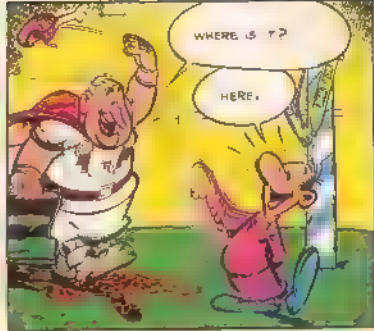
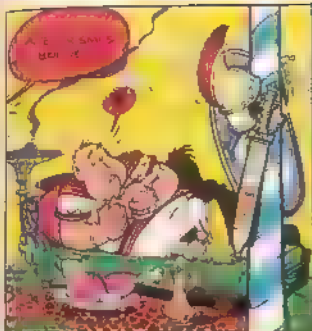


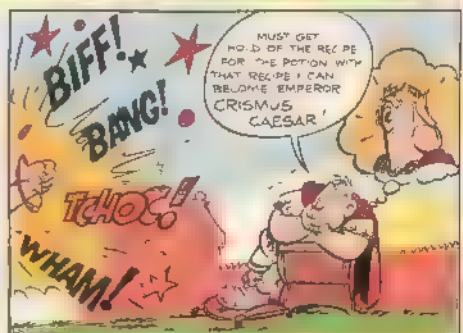
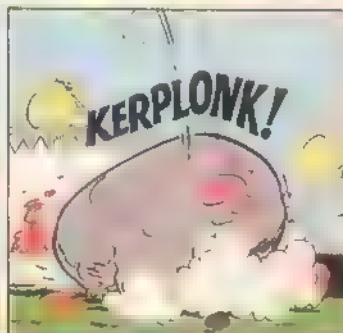
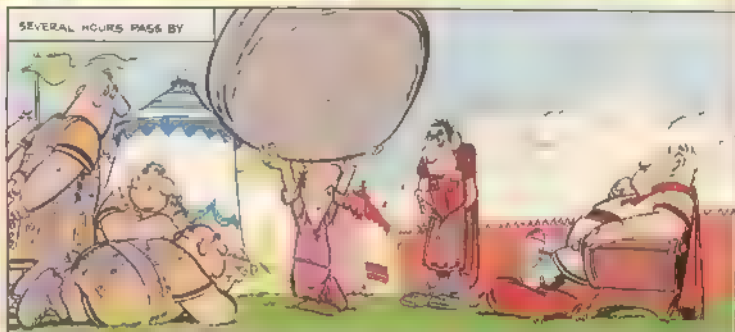
















SOON AFTERWARDS  
IN THE GAULISH  
VILLAGE

I'M JUST GOING TO PICK  
SOME MISTLETOE IN THE  
FOREST

WANT ME TO  
COME WITH YOU  
DRUID?

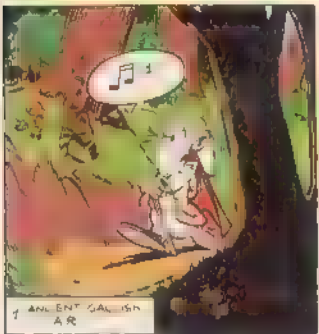


NO, ASTRIX! YOU STAY HERE  
TO GUARD THE VILLAGE! YOU  
GET YOUR STRENGTH FROM  
MY POT ON, BUT YOUR  
INTELLIGENCE AND CUNNING  
ARE ALL YOUR OWN



I WOULD BE A  
DISASTER FOR US TO  
LOST YOU, BESIDES  
BE BACK SOON

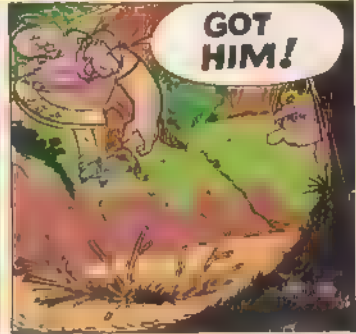
GOOD



1 AM ENT GAULISH  
AR



OOPS!



GOT  
HIM!



2 AM ENT GAULISH  
SWEAR-WORDS



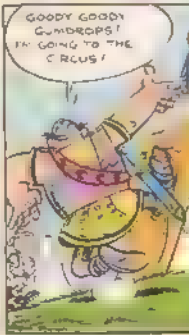
SOON  
AFTERWARDS

WE GOT THE  
DRUID O  
2 REMUS BONUS!

GOOD WORK  
TULUR VETORUS



AS A REWARD YOU  
SHALL HAVE 100 SESTERTI  
AND YOU CAN GO TO  
SEE THE CIRCUS



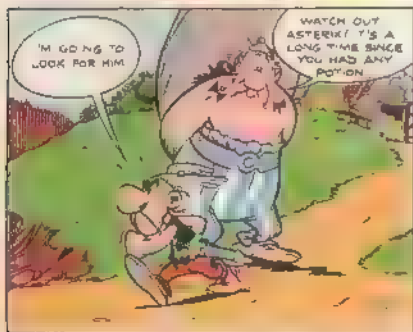
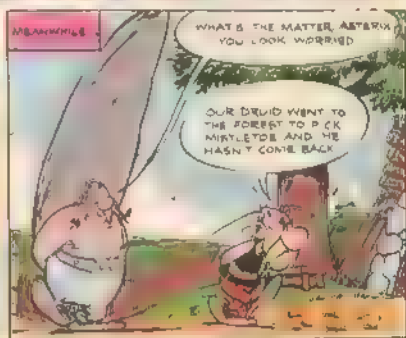
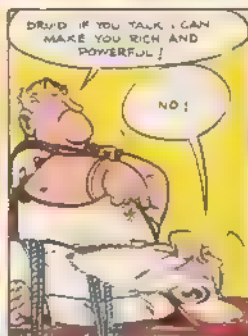
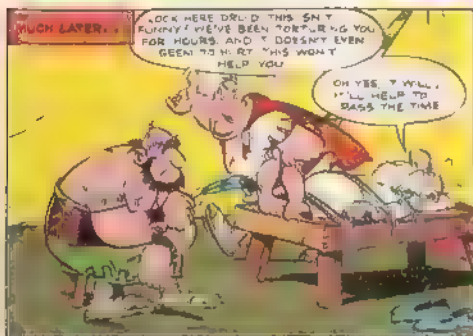
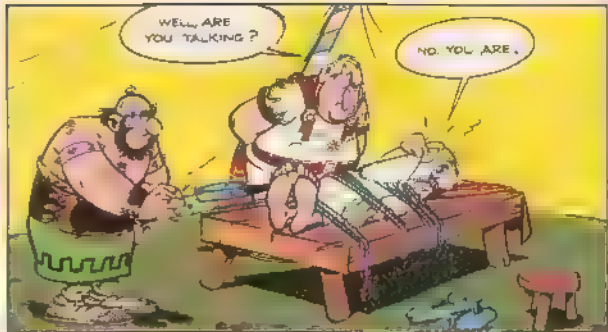
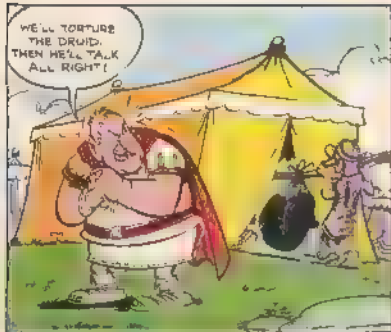
GOODY GOODY  
GUMDROPS!  
I'M GOING TO THE  
CIRCUS!



NOW DRUID  
YOU WILL TELL ME  
YOUR SECRET!

THAT'S WHAT  
YOU  
THINK!







**DRUID!  
O, DRUID!**

HERE'S THE ROMAN ROAD.  
THERE'S A LOT OF TRAFFIC.

MI

YOU LOOK  
WORRIED,  
FRIEND.

MY GODS WHAT  
AM I TO DO?

M

I'M AN OX DEALER BUT IF  
SELL MY OXEN I WON'T HAVE  
ANYTHING TO PULL MY CART  
AND THEN HOW DO I GET  
HOME?

CHANGE YOUR JOB!  
BE A CART DEALER!  
YOU CAN SELL YOUR  
CART AND TAKE  
YOUR OXEN HOME!

!

MI

**WONDERFUL!  
MARVELLOUS!  
BRILLIANT IDEA!**

HOW CAN I EVER  
REPAY YOU?

JUST TELL ME  
SOMETHING.  
DID YOU SEE A DRUID  
PASS THIS WAY  
GATHERING  
HIS STONES?

NO THERE WAS A DRUID BUT SOME  
LEGIONAIRES WERE TAKING HIM TO  
COMPENDIUM IN A STRONG BAG

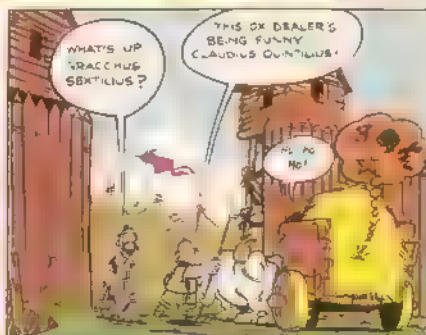
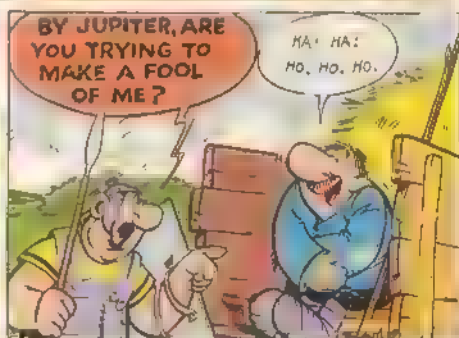
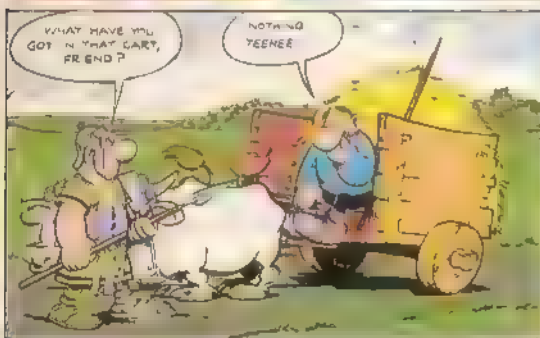
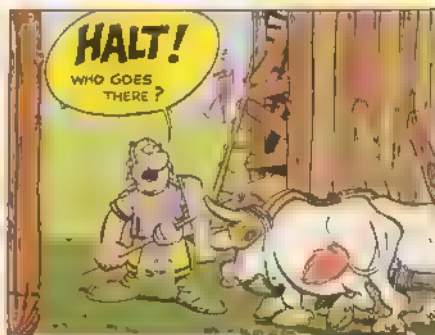
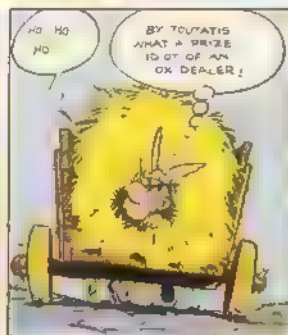
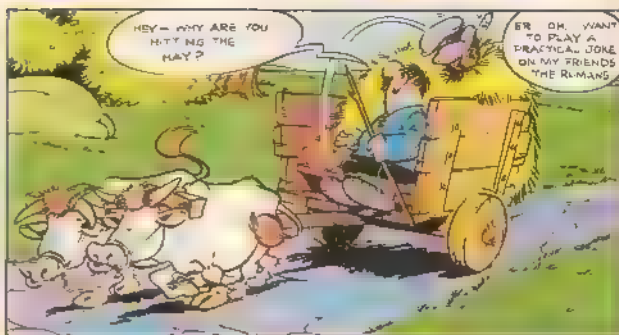
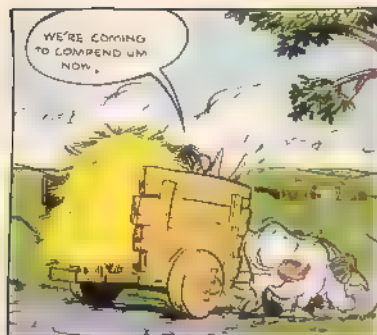
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TAKE ME  
TO  
COMPENDIUM!

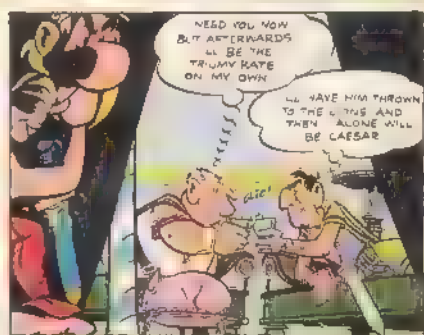
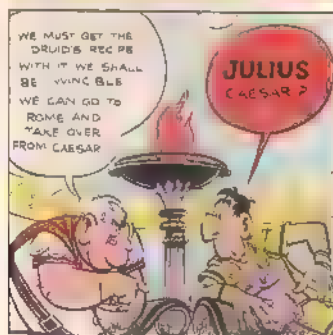
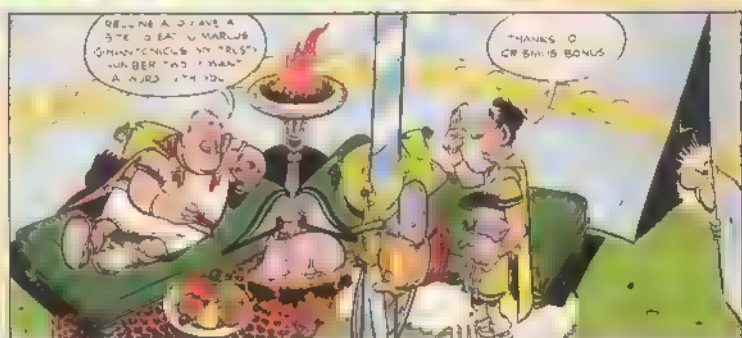
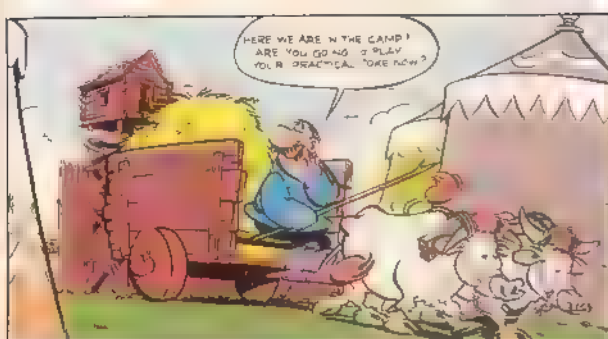
BUT I'M NOT  
GOING  
THAT WAY!

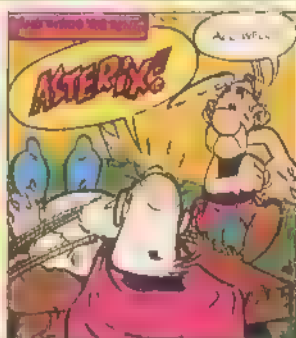
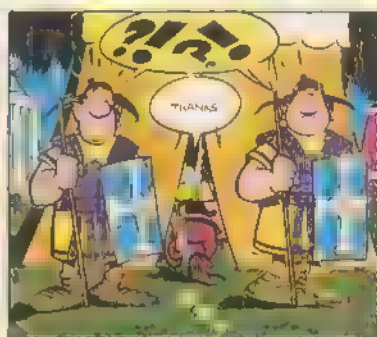
COMPENDIUM IS THE  
BIGGEST CART MART HEREABOUTS  
AND JUST NOW THE SECOND-  
HAND CART SHOW IS ON

WHAT A STROKE  
OF LUCK  
MEETING YOU!

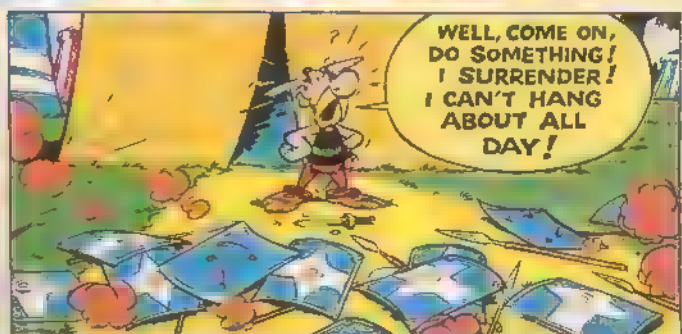
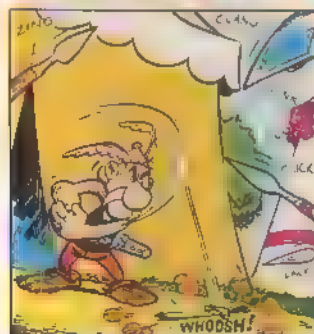
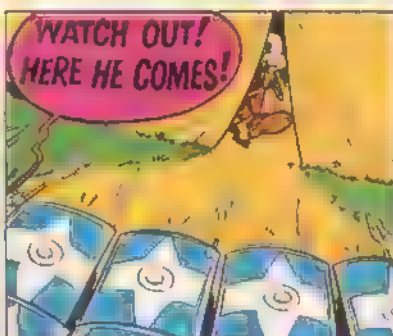
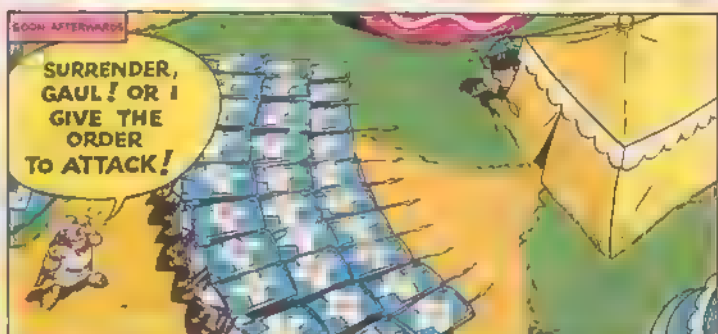
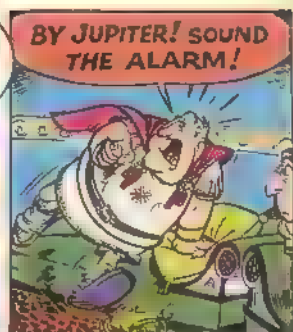












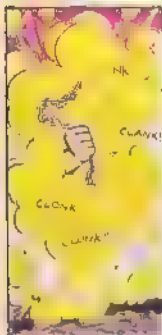
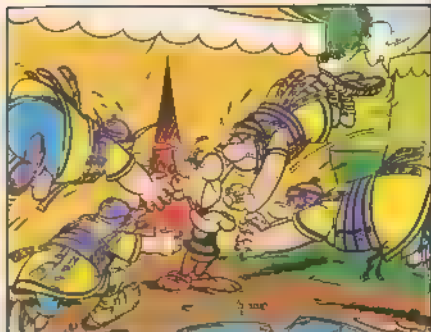
SEIZE HIM, YOU LILY-LIVERED LOT,  
OR I'LL SEND YOU TO THE CIRCUS  
TO BE THROWN TO THE LIONS!



THE CIRCUS?

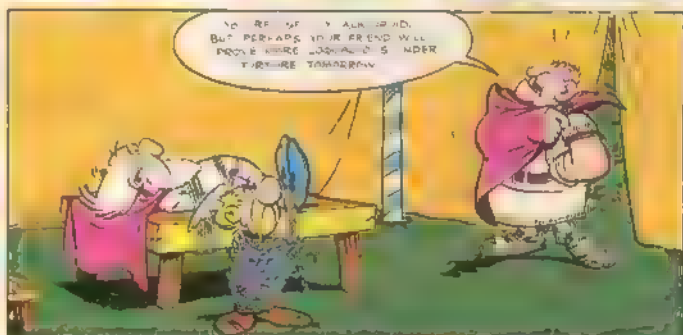
THE CIRCUS?

IN A MINUTE!



WHAT'S UP?

IT'S A GAUL  
WHO GOT INTO  
THE CAMP

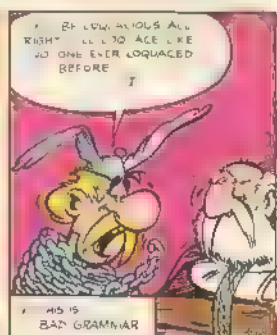
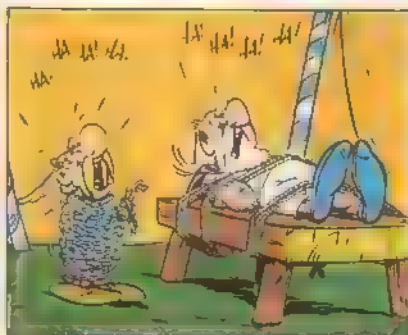


IT'S NOT PAID, BUT I'LL  
SEND HIM TO THE CIRCUS  
TO BE THROWN TO THE LIONS!

NO, RE-USE YOUR FRIEND  
BUT PERHAPS YOUR FRIEND WILL  
PROVE HIMSELF WORTHY  
TO BE THROWN TO THE LIONS!



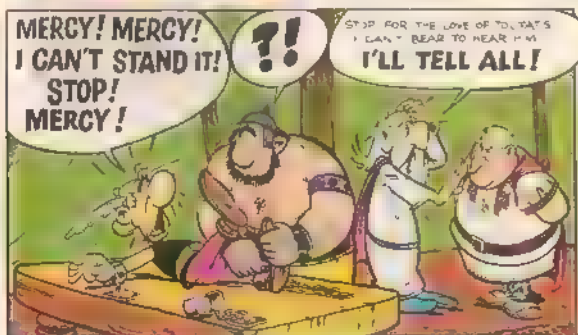
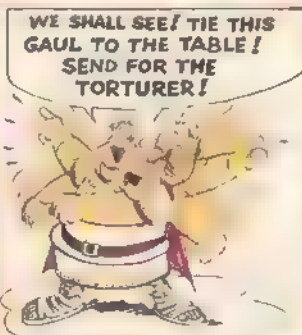
AUT CAESAR,  
ALL RIGHT?

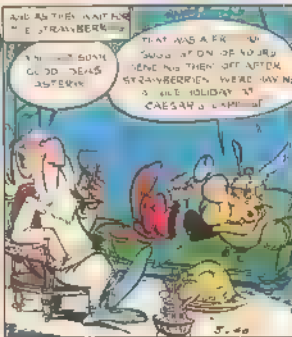
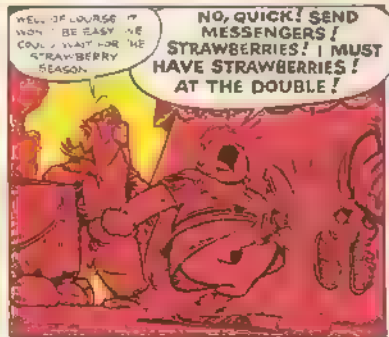
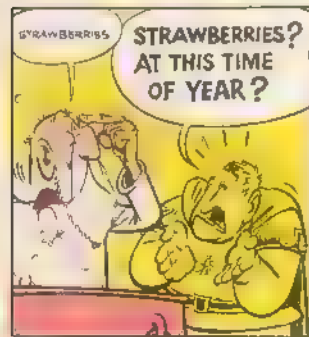


BE LOU-LOUS ALL  
RIGHT? ALL TO ACE LIKE  
NO ONE EVER LOU-LOUS  
BEFORE

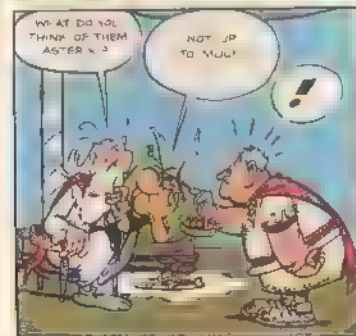
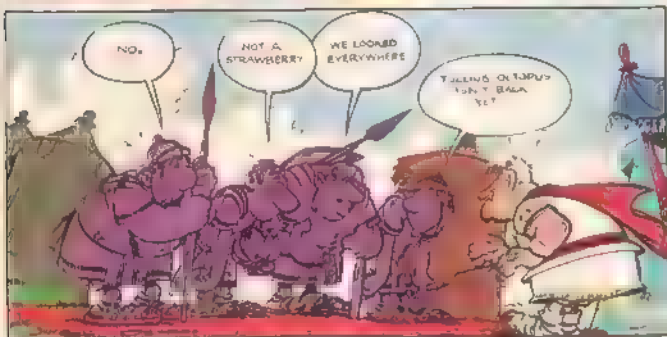
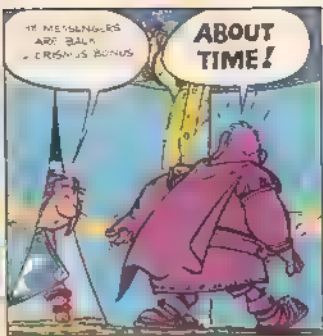
IT'S  
BAD GRAMMAR











YOU'VE EATEN MY STRAWBERRIES AND NOW YOU  
HAVEN'T GOT ANY STRAWBERRIES AND YOU  
WANT MORE STRAWBERRIES AND IT'S NOT FAIR  
AND 'VE JUST ABOUT  
HAD ENOUGH

